

NOBBY SKINNER, the former Leatherhead and Kingstonian forward, is joining Wycombe Wanderers on a month's trial and is expected to turn out in tonight's (Tuesday) representative match against the rest of the League XI at Loakes Park.

Skinner had a long spell at Leatherhead before signing on for Kingstonian two years ago. He was unable, however, to get a regular game at Richmond Road this season and decided to try his luck elsewhere.

A fast raiding forward, he is not the target man Wanderers really need at present but his speed could be a useful acquisition and he should combine well with Dylan Evans. Unfortunately, Dylan is unlikely to be fit in time for tonight's match after suffering a cut eye at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday. He had two stitches in the wound which was the result of a clash of heads.

Goalkeeper John Maskell should return to the side and is likely to be busy too, as the Blues face a stiff test from the Rest of the League side which includes no less than four former Wanderers men.

The 15 strong squad is skippered by Alan Phillips, who was Wycombe's captain last year. Alan has two other teammates from Hendon with him, Gary Hand (another ex-Wanderer) and Johnny Baker.

Enfield provide two representatives from the leading club in Division One, Derek Baker and Keith Searle. Centre forward Searle played in Enfield's recent 2-1 defeat at Loakes Park, scoring the goal.

The fourth former Wycombe player in the squad is Larry Pritchard, who will play in midfield.

In goal, the Rest will have the services of Terry Moore, who has been instrumental in Ilford's rapid rise up the table in recent weeks. The full backs are likely to be Leatherhead's Dave Sargeant and Phil Fry of Enfield while Phillips will be partnered by Ilford's Peter Deadman at centre back.

Trevor Bladon of Dulwich will play alongside Pritchard and Derek Baker while the controversial Chris Kelly makes up the front three with John Butterfield of Ilford and Searle. Kelly returned to non-league soccer after a short spell with Millwall last season.

Johnny Baker, Mick Preston, Gary Hand and Leatherhead's veteran goalkeeper John Swannell make up the remainder of the squad. Manager Billy Miller of Leatherhead will select the team from the players available.

If the match is anything like last year's seven goal spectacular, the fans will be in for a treat. It was Wycombe's final match of the season and they were soon two goals down when John Kettleborough and Alex Jackson scored. Evans, Dave Bullock and Graham Mackenzie put Wycombe 3-2 up in the second half before John Knapman fired home a glorious 25 yard shot to level the scores. It was then left, rather fittingly, to the Blues skipper Alan Phillips to hit the winner with only a couple of minutes left.